GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7535
ANSWERED ON:16.05.2002
IMPLEMENTATION OF RAIL PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Finance Ministry and Planning Commission haveasked the Railways to review its priority on implementation of its on going projects;

(b) if so, whether the railways have prioritise the projects to be implemented in the light of the suggestions made by the Ministry of Finance and Planning Commission;

(c) if so, the details of such projects, and the time by when the action on the implementation of these projects was initiated alongwith the original estimated cost and the schedule for their completion;

(d) the present cost of these projects and whether these projects have been cleared by the Ministry of Finance and Planning Commission; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIST RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) to (e): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLYTO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 7535 BY SHRI SUSHIL KUM SHINDE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 16.05.2002 REGARDING IMPLEMENTATION OF RAIL PROJECTS

(a) : Planning Commission in their Integrated Transport Policy document of October, 2001 have recommended that in view of the large shelf of Railway projects, there is a need to prioritise these projects.

(b) : Projects under New Lines and Gauge Conversion plan- headswere prioritised by the Railways with the approval of the Government in November, 1998.

(c) : Plan-headwise details of these projects including their original cost are given below:-

Plan-Head	No. of Projects	Approximate Original Cost (Rs. in Crores)
New Lines	83	19,000
Gauge Conversion	70	12,000

Action on implementation of the individual projects has been initiated after obtaining necessary approvals and sanction for each project. The target date of completion of these projects will depend on the availability of resources from year to year.

(d) & (e) : The approximate latest anticipated cost of all ongoing New Lines projects is Rs. 25,000 Croresand of Gauge Conversion projects is Rs. 17,000 Crores. Some of these projects are yet to receive necessary approvals.